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In re Application of

Peter Fuhrmann

Application No. 10/557,632

Filed: November 17, 2005

Attorney Docket No. DE030177

ON PETITION

This is a decision in response to the petition, filed February 11, 2009, to revive the above-identified application under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b).

The petition is **DISMISSED** because it is unsigned.

37 CFR 1.33(b) states that:

Amendments and other papers, except for written assertions pursuant to 1.27(c)(2)(ii) of this part, filed in the application must be signed by:

- (1) A registered patent attorney or patent agent of record appointed in compliance with § 1.32(b);
- (2) A registered patent attorney or patent agent not of record who acts in a representative capacity under the provisions of § 1.34;
 - (3) An assignee as provided for under §3.71(b) of this chapter; or
- (4) All of the applicants (§ 1.41(b)) for patent, unless there is an assignee of the entire interest and such assignee has taken action in the application in accordance with § 3.71 of this chapter.

Further, a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) must be accompanied by: (1) the required reply, unless previously filed; (2) the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional; and (4) any terminal disclaimer (and fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.20(d)) required by 37 CFR 1.137(c). Where there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137 was unintentional, the Director may require additional information. See MPEP 711.03(c)(II)(C) and (D). The petition does not comply with item (3) above.

Therefore, as the petition containing the statement of unintentional delay is not signed, the petition is considered to not contain a proper statement of unintentional delay.

This decision is made without prejudice to reconsideration. However, any request for reconsideration must be submitted within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are permitted. The reconsideration request should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b)" and include a ratification of the unsigned petition.

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